Table 1—Demographic characteristics of hired farmworkers and all wage and salary workers, 2000

Annual averages Hired All wage and Characteristics salary workers farmworkers Thousands Percent Thousands Percent 878 100 120,972 100 ΑII Racial/ethnic group: White 47.2\* 414 87,648 72.4 Hispanic 408 46.4\* 13,645 11.3 Black and others 6.4\* 19,679 56 16.3 Gender: 82.1\* 52.0 Male 720 62,953 Female 158 17.9\* 58,019 48.0 Age (years): Less than 20 123 14.0\* 7,590 6.3 20-24 104 12.0 12,982 10.7 25-34 204 23.2 28,352 23.4 35-44 208 23.7 32,395 26.8 45-54 127 14.5\* 25,604 21.2 55 and over 14,049 11.6 111 12.6 Median age 35\* 38 Marital status: Married 55.0 55.9 483 67,654 Widowed, divorced, 8.3\* 14.7 or separated 72 17,734 Never married 322 36.7\* 35,584 29.4 Schooling completed: 0-4 years 117 13.4\* 944 8.0 5-8 years 185 21.0\* 3,356 2.7 9-11 years 186 21.2\* 11,743 9.7 12 years<sup>1</sup> 226 25.7\* 37,325 31.2 13 or more years 164 18.7\* 67,204 55.6

Source: Calculated by ERS using data from the Current Population Survey earnings microdata file.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Schooling completed: 12 years means that a person received a high school diploma, GED, or equivalent degree.

<sup>\*</sup> Significantly different from all wage and salary workers at the 95-percent confidence level.